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DANGER OF BREAK HAS NOW PASSED

Mobilization of U. S. Troops at Mexican Border Continues

PLANNING TO STRIKE

Dissatisfaction in Congress Over President Wilson Entering Into Agreement With Carranza

Mexico City, March 14.—The danger of a break between the United States and the Carranza government has passed, according to brief articles in the morning newspapers, evidently at the inspiration of Carranza officials.

No official statement has been made but dispatches from Washington brought word that the United States had conceded the justice of General Carranza's demands and will accept in a formal note.

Gen. Candido Aguilar, newly appointed minister of foreign relations will assume office at once and handle all further negotiations with the United States, under the guidance of Gen. Carranza.

It is generally believed he will become provisional President before the elections, Gen. Carranza resigning in order that he may become a candidate.

The appointment of Gen. Alvaredo Obregon, conqueror of Villa, to become minister of war, was forecast several weeks ago.

El Paso, Tex., March 14.—Mobilization at the border of a large part of the United States regular army to hunt Villa continued today, while Carranzista troops were reported in pursuit of the bandit leader in hpoe of rendering an American expedition unnecessary.

With Gen. Funston declaring that even Carranza's opposition would not stop the expedition, the army heads in personal command along the border were laying their plans to strike into Mexico from El Paso, Douglas, and Columbus when the order to advance is received.

It may be Thursday or Friday before the expedition moves across the border. But with, over 12,000 men, forty-eight batteries and scores of machine gun squads already at the boundry line, officers declare themselves ready for the word.

Washington, March 14. — The United States government entered into a formal agreement with the de facto government of Mexico yesterday under which American troops will cross the border to hunt down Villa and his bandits with the expectation of hearty cooperation from the Carranza forces.

Secretary Lansing made public the text of a note accepting Gen. Carranza's proposal for a reciprocal arrangement between the two governments, and announcing that the United States held this arrangement to be now in force and binding upon both parties. Gen. Funston will carry out his task under this agreement.

With American troops on the eve of marching into Mexico President Wilson was threatened with a new revolt in Congress today over his Mexican policy.

An outburst of criticism was threat ened in the Senate today over the President's agreement with Carranza Many Senators were indignant over the permission given to Carranza troops to enter American territory and also threatened to explode in vigorous criticism. Instead of the solid support and approval given the President in his plan to "get Villa," both Congressional bodies bubbles with protest because of the Carranza agreement.

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NOTICE RED MEN.

Osceola Tribe, No. 1, Red Men: Brothers you are earnestly requested to attend Council on Wednesday night March 15th as there is business of importance to be transacted on that sleep By order of the tribe.

CHAS. NAGEEL, C. of R.

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STEAMED OYSTERS AT JACOB BRILL'S FOOT OF KING STREET. NORFOLK OYSTERS A SPECIALTY

IS NOT HEIR TO ESTATE.

British Court Rejects California Child's Claim to Slingsby Property.

London, March 14.—The Court of Appeals has allowed the appeal in the Slingsby legitimacy suit.

The case involves the question of whether an infant born in San Francisco and declared to be the lawful son of Charles R. Slingsby, and his wife, Dorothy, is the rightful successor to the extensive Syingsby estates in England. A California court said that the child was the legitimate heir, and a court of England upheld that decision. An appeal was taken and was argued in January and February of this year.

The effect of the judgment rendered yesterday is that the child in question is declared to be illegitimate, thus losing his claim to the Slingsby estates in Yorkshire, valued at about $500,000.

No official announcement has been made regarding what further steps, if any, will be taken, but it is believed the case will now be carried to the House of Lords, where an appeal will be made against the judgment returned yesterday.

In delivering judgement, the Master of the Rolls said it was impossible to overrate the importance of the advertisement, said to have been inserted by Mrs. Slingsby in a San Francisco newspaper within a few days of the time a child was born to her, calling for a new-born male infant.

Furthermore, the Master said, it was impossible to doubt that Mrs. Slingsby called at the Associated Charities in San Francisco and made application to adopt a child.

Judge Warrington, concurring in the opinion of the Master, said he regretted it was impossible for him to take Mrs. Slingsby's word without corroboration. He declared she was condemned as a woman who had lied upon the most important matter of the adverstisement and had supported her lie with perjury. He expressed it as his opinion that the boy was the child of Lillian Anderson.

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GERMANY AND AMERICA

Herr Von Jagow Laughs at Notion That Kaiser Would War With United States

Chicago, March 14—Raymond E. Swing cables to the News from Berlin:

"People nowadays believe the most fantastic things, but I never had thought it possible that Americans would believe anything so absurd as that Germany after this war would attack the United States," said Herr von Jagow, imperial secretary for foreign affairs, yesterday.

He spoke in reply to my statement that I found many Americans, who urged military preparedness, did so because they feared an attack by Germany.

"How can they believe anything so childish?" exclaimed the minister. "Don't they know that after the war Germany will have work enough to do without taking on a war with America? Cannon that shoot from Hamburg to New York haven't been invented."

To my assurances that really representative Americans held this belief, the German foreign secretary shook his head as if bewildered, then seized his pencil, as is his wont in conversation, and began to draw a Grecian urn on his blotter.

"You must be familiar," he began, "with Clausewitz's axiom, that war is the forceful continuation of a policy. Nations do not make war out of rage. The present war, for instance, is a part of the policy of Great Britain to isolate us, of France to retrieve her losses of 1870 and of Russia to establish a hegemony in the Balkans.

"Just what has been the policy of Germany toward the United States is from the very birth of the republic We Germans have been your friends throughout your whole history. All through the civil war, Germany maintained its friendly policy toward America.

"What are the instances in your whole history where we have opposed you? We have been patient with your policy. Even though it may have greatly harmed, nevertheless, we have accepted your decisions and left it to you to solve the problem as you saw fit."

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The Willard W. C. T. U. will meet tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock at Trinity M. E. Church.

HEAD TAXES MUST BE PAID

New Law Interesting to Dodgers of Capitation Assessments

WILL GO BACK 3 YEARS

Ordinance Provides for Rigid Enforcement Where Men Fail to Pay Tithes to Commonwealth

Richmond, March 14—Persons who owe capitation taxes to the State might as well get ready to pay up and avoid trouble and added expense.

There is written into the acts of the General Assembly a bill which will compel the payment of such taxes for five years prior to 1912. And each year thereafter the same law will be in effect so that delinquent capitation tax men will have to pay.

This will add $250,000 annually to the revenues of the State, minus the expenses of collecting the tax, and the money is to be covered into the treasury for the expenses of government.

The interpretation of the law at this time is that prior to the year 1912 these collectors—and they are to be appointed in each county and city of the State by the judges of the courts having jurisdiction therein—are to be named specifically for the purpose of getting the taxes. The collectors are to proceed to make the collections by garnishment. levy or otherwise and the expenses of the processes where settlement is not made without recourse to law will be placed on the man owing the taxes.

The judges are to name such collector prior to the first day of October in each year and they are to give bond for faithful execution of the law and for the collection of the back taxes and payment of the sum into the State treasury.

The aggregate due to the State for capitation taxes since the new Consitution became effective up to the report of the Auditor for the year ending September 30, 1915, is $2,975,711.96. About $135,000 of this has been collected. The loss to the State by reason of failure of the officers to collect this tax is $1,894,324.46, while the counties and cities have lost $947,162.24.

That there may be no misunderstanding of the provisions of the law it is herewith produced as it passed the Legislature for the benefit of all persons who may be interested:

1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia, That the judge of the Circuit Court of each county and the judge of the Corporation or Hustings Courts of each city and the judge of the Circuit Court of each city which has no other court of record, shall at the term preceding October 1st of each year appoint a delinquent capitation tax collector, who shall give bond to the Commonwealth in such penalty as the court may deem proper, whose duty it shall be to enforce the collection by levy, garnishment, or otherwise, of all delinquent capitation taxes which shall be turned over to him for collection as is herein provided. A copy of the order making the appointment and a copy of the bond required shall be certified by the clerk of the court making the appointment to the Auditor of Public Accounts.

2. The said collector shall be allowed twenty per centum (20 per cent) of all amounts collected by him, and shall on the first of each month make report to the clerk of the court by which he was appointed, of the amounts collected by him and from whom collected, and shall at the same time pay over to the clerk of said court eighty per centum (80 per cent) of the amount collected; and the clerk shall issue to the said collector a receipt for the amount paid over to him and shall at the same time forward to the Auditor of Public Accounts a duplicate of said receipt.

3. On or before the first day of October of each year the clerk of the court appointing the delinquent capitation tax collector shall make out a duplicate list of all persons within his county or city who shall be as much as three (3) and not exceeding five (5) years delinquent in payment of capitation taxes one of said lists shall be sent to the Auditor of Public Accounts and the other list shall be by said clerk delivered to the delinquent capitation tax collector and as a compensation for his work in making out said list the clerk making said list shall receive (5) per centum of all moneys collected from the said list by him made which said amount shall be retained by said clerk out of the the money paid over to him by the said collector, and the clerk shall annually on or before the 15th day of October pay into the State treasury through the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, the amount paid over to him by the said collector less the commission authorized by this act to be retained by the clerk.

4. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall dispose of any funds arising under this act as other capitation taxes are disposed of.

5. The delinquent capitation tax collector shall on the 30th day of September of each year deliver to the clerk of the court the list of uncollected taxes which had been by said clerk previously delivered to him as as other delinquent capitation tax lists shall be by the clerk of the court filed as other delinquent captation tax lists and filed; and the clerk of the court shall, at the time of the receipts of the list of uncollected taxes delivered to him by said collector, certify to the Auditor of Public Accounts the total amount returned as uncollected.

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LOCAL BREVITIES

The remains of John Carroll, who died in Washington, were intered in Bethel Cemetery today.

Mrs. Mary Jane Berkley, widow of William N. Berkley, died in Washington yesterday.

A black fur muff, valued at $25, the property of J. S. Douglas, of Alexandria, Va., was taken from a public cab in Washington yesterday.

The Allison W. C. T. U. will hold a regular meeting tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at the Children's Home.

The Union service of the three Episcopal Churches will be held tonight in Grace Church. The Rev. Dr. De Vries will preach.

The city gas committee opened bids last night for the yearly supply of coal for the city gas plant. The contract will be awarded at the next meeting of the committee.

At a meeting of the board of police commissioners to be held tomorrow night two vacancies will be filled, caused by the resignation of Officers Nevitt and Young.

The monthly meeting of the Grammar Grade of the Parents and Teachers Association will be held at the Lee School Building tomorrow evening at 3:30 p. m. Mrs. P. P. Claxton will speak.

Mrs. Eliza Mumford, wife of Richard J. Mumford, died early this morning at her home, 510 Queen street. Besides her husband she is survived by four sons, Richard, John, Charlie and Harvey and one daughter Mrs. K. R. Richardson. She was 59 years old.

Discussion of tax bills passed by the session of the legislature just adjourned was the principal feature of last night's meeting of the Chamber of Commerce. The members expressed themselves as satisfied that the burdens imposed upon the cities were not even greater.

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LIGHT INFANTRY RECRUITTING.

Efforts to Bring Up Number in Local Company to 85 Men.

An effort is being made by the Alexandria Light Infantry, officially known as Company G, First Regiment Virginia Volunteers, to recruit its strength up to full war complement of eighty-five men. The Armory will be open every Wednesday night at 7:30 o'clock for the purpose of receiving the applications of recruits. The present strength of the company is sixty men.

Sergeant Miles, U. S. A., has been detailed to drill the men and give special instructions in war duty. From now on he will be present at drills.

Capt. William M. King who some time ago was considering resigning, has decided to continue with the company and hopes to be able to have the company up to full military strength within a short time.

The latest figures from Richmond are to the effect that in twenty-four hours 3,250 men and 225 officers could be mobilized at any designated point in the State in case the President calls upon Gov. Stuart for State troops.

ECHOES OF THE LEGISLATURE

Revenues of the State Have Been Increased by New Laws $850,000

NEW TAX ORDINANCES

Constructive Session of General Assembly Will Be Held Tomorrow to Close Up Business

Richmond, March 14.—Clerks at the Capitol are busy enrolling bills to be presented to the presiding officers of the two branches of the General Assembly when the constructive session is convened tomorrow morning. Only a few members of the Legislature will attend these sessions. No business will be transacted, the session, which will probably last until the end of the week, being given exclusively to the signing of bills already passed.

Colonel John W. Williams, clerk of the House of Delegates, said yesterday that, as well as he could estimate it, about 400 bills had been passed. Probably 800 or a thousand bills were defeated, many of these being smothered in committee or dying on the calendar.

Practically every important bill was given due consideration by the General Assembly at large and either passed or defeated by roll call. Nearly all of the so-called reform bills were enacted. The tax measures intended to further strengthen and perfect the segregation plan were passed, though the recommendations of the Tax Advisory Board were only partially accepted.

These bills, without increasing taxes above the taxes of 1913 and 1914, will, it is estimated, increase the annual revenue of the State by some $850,000, completely eliminating all danger of a treasury deficit.

Virginia merchants will continue to pay taxes on the 1915 rates, but the law requiring them to make a sworn statement regarding their purchases will add about $250,000 a year to the State's income. The $5 tax on merchants doing an annual business of less than $1,000 is retained. The recommendation of the Tax Advisory Board to increase the tax from 20 cents to 30 cents on purchases up to $100,000 was not accepted, the 20 cent straight rate being retained.

Bank stock will be taxed as heretofore. Under the segregation plan it was originally intended to give the State 50 cents of the total $1.50 tax collected, By compromise, however, the direct tax was out to 35 cents,, The Tax Advisory Board suggested that it be raised to 50 cents, but the recommendation was rejected.

Capital invested in business will be taxed 5 cents more on each $100, but loans running for not longer than six months will not be taxed at all. Under the old rate the State tax on capital invested in business, including borrowed capital, was 65 cents. The Tax Advisory Board suggested that the rate be increased to 95 cents, and that only net capital be taxed. The rate was made 70 cents, with loans of over six months exempted.

The mortgage tax bill recommended by the Tax Advisory Board was defeated. This bill provided for an initial tax of 50 cents a $100 for each year of the life of the bond, the tax to be paid upon recordation.

Heat light and power companies will pay more taxes under the new rate. The recomendation of the Tax Advisory Board was that the franchise tax upon their gross operating revenue be increased from one-half of 1 per cent to 1 per cent. A compromise rate of three-fourths of 1 per cent. was established.

Probably the largest part of the total increase in State revenue will be paid by public service corporations—railroads. The tax rate was 1 1-8 per cent. of the gross income.

At this rate the railroads last year paid into the State treasury about $694,000, this being the tax on business amounting to some $60,000,000. This year the business of the roads is showing an abnormal increase, it is said, and the total receipts of the roads will be about $80,000,000. The normal increase in the tax would therefore be about $216,000 but the rate of taxation has been increased from 1 1-8 per cent. to 1 1-3, which will add $100,000 to the tax, making a total increase to the State from railways of some $316,000.

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VIRGINIA TROOPS READY

Volunteers Besiege Office of Adjutant General With Offers of Service

Richmond, March 14—Not since the occupancy of Vera Cruz by American troops two years ago has there been so much war talk among the Virginia Volunteers as at present and the possibility of mobilizing in preparation for active service is being discussed in militia circles from one end of the state to the other. With unanimity, from the commanding officers down to the privates in the rear rank, the reply is: "If we are needed, we will go."

Militia officers who have resigned from the service have sent in telegrams to the Adjutant-General's office asking to be given a command in case officers are needed in the formation of new troops. Many called in person. Men whose terms of enlistment have expired and who are on the reserve list have sent in letters saying that they are ready at any time to be called into active service.

Applications for the formation of new companies, have also begun to arrive and within the last few days Norton, Bedford City and South Boston have asked to have companies of infantry mustered into the Virginia brigade.

According to a report of the Department of Military Affairs issued last year, Virginia in order to come up to the standards set by the War Department, must organize and recruit one squadron of cavalry of 401 men, one company of engineers of 164 men one ambulance company of seventy-nine men, and ten companies of coast artillery of 1,741 men. This would bring the Virginia State troops up to the strength that the government believes desirable. It is out of the question at present for the recommended additional force to be mustered into the Virginia militia because the appropriation allowed by the General Assembly is not sufficient for such an increase.

Because of a redistricting of militia divisions in the United States. Virginia is now in the seventh army division instead of the eighth. According to the new boundaries the Virginia brigade would be thrown in with the National Guard from West Virginia, District of Columbia, Delaware, Maryland and New Jersey. Pennsylvania now makes up an entire division by itself. The headquarters for the Seventh Division it at Washington.

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ALLIES IN COUNCIL OF WAR

Some Leaders Urge Immediate Offensive Against Germany

Paris, March 14—An early offensive by the allies in the Balkans is expected to result from the grand council of war which was in session here yesterday Gen. Joffre, the French commander-in-chief, fresh from the bloody battlefield at Verdun, presided.

It is reported that some of the leaders on the allies' side are insisting on an immediate offensive against the German allies in all the theatres of war. Such an offensive is already under way by the Russians in the Caucasus and by the Italians.

Portugal took her place among the allies yesterday afternoon.

Following a meeting of the supreme war council, Premier Briand gave a luncheon attended by diplomats of the allies, including Portugal.

The war council was attended by Gen. Joffre, Sir Douglas Haig, British commander-in-chief; Gen. Porro, second in command of the Italian army; Sir William Robertson, British chief of staff; Gen. Jellinsky, Russian commander, and several other army leaders.

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FRENCH WIN IN AERIAL FLIGHTS

Number of Engagements Between Airmen Reported Near Verdun

GUNS STILL BOOMING

French Clash With Invaders on Both Sides of the Meuse—Germany Reported Short of Officers

London, March 14.—A shortage of officers due to recent heavy losses at Verdun, is causing the German general staff much worry, according to Rome dispatches. All German officers under the rank of captain, now in the Balkans, have been ordered to return to the western front.

London, March 14.—Heavy German reenforcements are arriving at the Verdun front, while German artillery continues the terrific bombardment of French field positions.

Paris, March 14—Activity around Verdun was confined yesterday to artillery bombardments and raids of French aero squadrons upon German stations, according to the official report issued by the War Office last night. A number of engagements were fought between French and German aeroplanes, resulting in the destruction of at least three German craft, it is said.

The official report follows:

"North of the Aisne our artillery shattered at several points enemy organizations on the plateau of Vauclero

"In Champagne well-regulated fires from our heavy batteries were directed against the German works at Maisons de Champagne and in the region west of Navarin.

"We carried out destructive fires on the enemy shelters, railroads and organizations in the eastern Argonne.

North of Verdun the bombardment has increased in intensity west of the Meuse, on La Morte Homme and in the region of the Bois Bourrue. Our batteries took under their fire enemy forces assembling between Forges and the Bois des Corbeaux.

"On the right bank of the Meuse and in the Woevre there was less activity on the part of the two artilleries. No infantry action occurred during the day.

"In Upper Alsace, east of Sappois, after a spirited artillery preparation, the Germans attacked trenches which we had retaken from them in the last few days in the region of Entrelargues. They were stopped by our barrier and infantry. Sections of the enemy returned to their trenches, having suffered sensible losses.

"Yesterday our aviators displayed remarkable activity in the whole Verdun region. A squadron composed of six aeroplanes dropped 130 shells on the strategically important staton at Brieulles, north of Verdun. A large number of engagements were fought in which we had an incontestable advantage.

"In the course of these combats three German aeroplanes were brought down one of them in our lines and the other two inside the first German lines. Other aeroplanes were observed in the act of failing, but their destruction has not been established."

The Belgian official communication reads:

"There was greater artillery activity along the Belgian front, especally in the sector of Dixmude."

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DIED—On March 14th., 1916, ELIZA MUMFORD, wife of Richard F. Mumford. The deceased, age 59, is survived by her husband, sons Richard, John, Charlie and Harvey and daughter Mrs. K. R. Richardson. Funeral announcement will be made later.

Past her suffering, past her pain,
Cease to weep for tears are vain,
Calm the tumult of thy breast,
For she who suffered is at rest.

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Oysters in All Styles at the Rammel Cafe.

Oysters in All Styles at the Rammel Cafe.

MAY EXTEND SERVICE

Proposition For Placing Annexed Territory in Postal Delivery System

The Post Office department of the United States government is considering a proposition to extend the city delivery service to Braddock Heights, Cottage Park and other portions of surrounding territory which was recently added to the city of Alexandria by annexation. The matter was brought up some time ago and recently the department asked Dr. W. M. Smith, city postmaster, to make a detailed report of conditions in the territory which it is desired to be served from the Alexandria city office. Data is now being secured and when it is completed it will be submitted to the department.

There are aproximately 1200 persons in the territory which is desired to serve. It is proposed to give two deliveries daily, one leaving the city office at 8 o'clock and the other at 2 o'clock. It will be necessary to employ two additional carriers.

A LITTLE TOUCH OF SPRING.

Today Much Cooler with a Chilly Wave Coming.

With the temperature about 60 degrees and with the mercury in the thermometer up to a pleasant point, yesterday came near to being as genuine a spring day as one could imagine. Officially this is still winter, for spring does not begin until Tuesday of next week.

Throughout yesterday a gentle wind from the southwest gradually raised the temperature of the atmosphere and overcoats and wraps became somewhat burdensome. Doors and windows, which the day before had been closed to keep out the chilly air, were thrown open to the warm breezes. But, according to the forecaster there is a grave possibility of real cold weather before spring really arrives. Today has been much cooler than yesterday, for a cool wave is moving in this direction out of the northwest.

CHARTERS GRANTED.

The State Corporation Commission has granted charters to the following Alexandria concerns:

The National Loan and Construction Corporation, with a maximum capital of $2,000,000 and a minimum of $10,000 to conduct a building and loan association; C. E. Nicol, jr., president; Gardner L. Boothe, secretary.

The Green Ridge Valley Orchard Company, with a capital stock of $500,000 to conduct an orchard business; Frederick Mertens, president, Washington; Otto G. Raymond, secretary, Washington.

Judge J. B. T. Thornton will come to this city tomorrow when he will close up the Circuit Court for the term.

MR. WENT AND CUT-IT --HERE'S MR. 'GETS-IT'

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"Gets-It" is sold by druggist everywhere, 25c a bottle, or sent direct by E. Lawrence and Co. Chicago, Ill.

ELKS ELECT OFFICERS

Grand Lodge of Organization Will Meet in Baltimore Next July

The following officers were elected last night by Alexandria Lodge No. 758, B. P. O. Elks to serve for the ensuing year:

George W. Bontz exalted ruler.
Dr. Thomas B. Cochran, esteemed leading knight.
Ervin George Schwarzmann, esteemed loyal knight.
Maurice R. Lowenback, esteemed lecturing knight.
Walter M. Donnelly, secretary.
Herman Friedlander, treasurer.
Thomas D. Downey, tiler.
Raymond Blumenfeld, trustee for three years.
James B. Martin, retiring exalted ruler, representative to the grand lodge which will meet in Baltimore in July.
Jacob Brill, pas exalted ruler, alternate.

GERMAN LOSSES AT FORT VAUX

Casualties Surpass All Previous Records of War

Paris March 14—The German losses in the fighting around Fort Vaux last Friday and Saturday surpass all previous records in this war, according to officers who have returned from Verdun.

Time and time again and with extraordinary courage the Germans in columns four deep rushed from their trenches, only to melt away under the fire of the French 75, 150 and 210 millimeter guns, which rained shells with deadly accuracy into the marching companies. When the smoke and dust cleared nothing was to be seen but heaps of bodies.

The spur on which the fort is situated is almost perpendicular in certain places. The German lines were forced to halt, but many Bavarian reservists climbed up on one another's shoulders and struggled up the slope clinging to angles of rock and grasping tufts of grass. Again and again these human pyramids collapsed into shapeless gray masses. In the places where the incline was easier and the attacks therefore more concentrated, the ditches below ran red with blood. At the lowest estimate the attackers lost two-thirds of their effectives.

The fighting also was desperate in the extreme when regiments of the fifteenth and eighteenth German army corps attacked the village of Vaux on Friday. Dawn was just breaking and over the country hung a heavy white mist, making everything invisible beyond a hundred yards. This enabled the Germans to get within rushing distance of the French front trenches, but although they outnumbered the defenders six to one, it took four distinct assaults before the first column of Germans won the shelter of a small group of houses beyond the church of Vaux.

They then organized an assault upon the church, and the French being unable to bring up reinforcements on account of the German curtain of fire, withdrew their advance elements which were in danger of being surrounded. Five times the North Prussian regiments rushed to attack the church, but every time they left the shelter of the ruined houses they were beaten back by the fire from machine guns and the shrapnel from the French 50 millimeter mountain guns.

In the meantime, in their rear a curtain of fire was kept up by the French 75s and 210s, so that it was impossible for munitions and reinforcements to be brought up for their benefit, and the fight died down on Friday night from sheer exhaustion.

NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING

To the Stockholder Addressed:

You are hereby notified that the Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Washington Storage Company, Inc., will be held at the office of Leo P. Harlow, Attorney, 119 South Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Virginia, on Wednesday, April 19, 1916 at 11 o'clock A. M., for the election of Directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting.

If unable to be present kindly mail proxy to the Secretary.

Respectfully,
LOUIS P. KREY Secretary.
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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as the administrator of the estate of Eliza Butler all persons having claims against said estate are requested to present same to me, properly authenticated, for payment and all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make prompt settlement with me.

ROBERT E. COX,
Surgeon and Administrator.
7-10t.

MEETING OF COUNCIL

First Gathering of City Fathers in Four Weeks Will Take Place Tonight

A regular meeting of the City Council will take place tonight. This will be the first meeting since the 15th of February, an adjourned meeting having been held that night. The regular meeting night in course, falling upon February 22nd.

About the usual volume of papers are in the hands of the various committees, but the most important matters are being considered by the finance committee. At this time of the year the tax ordinance for the year commencing June 1st is formulated, as is also the license and appropriation bills.

Council will, it is thought discuss several important questions concerning the improvements in roads and the installation of a police and fire alarm system.

RIVER CHOKED BY BODIES.

Revolting Cruelty Practiced by Turks Upon Armenians.

Paris, March 14.—A terrifying tale of Armenian massacres recounted by the Algemine Mission Zeitschrift, held up by the Berlin censor since November 10, has just reached here The mission's report reads:

"Turkish soldiers who had parts in wild scenes of indescribable horror and fanatical savagery, told our investigators they saw hundreds of terrified Armenian women slain outright as they pleaded for mercy on their knees.

"To save their babies from excruciating tortures, many of these women, driven to desperation, flung their infants to drown in the rivers Tigris and Euphrates as the ravening hordes of religion-intoxicated Turks bore down on their homesteads, killing as they came. Investigators asked the soldiers:

"'You mean to tell us you pitilessly shot down women and children?' The soldiers replied: 'We had no choice, we only obeyed orders.'

"Another official witness told us he helped to drive bands of Armenians into exile. They were treated like cattle and beaten, and the slightest recalcitrance was punished by death by strangulation.'

"Every day dozens of men were cast over precipices along the route, babies heads were crushed, and women were robbed and dishonored. Our missionaries were present at a horrible scene when hundreds of children and aged women, many scarcely able to sit on their donkeys, were led to a precipice on the brink of the Euphrates. They were tied in bundles like faggots and flung into the yawning depths, where they were caught in the swift eddies of the river and whirled to death downstream.

"Between May 10 and 30, last 1,2000 Armenian notables and other Christians were arrested at Diarbekir, Mamouret and Ul Asis. During the whole month, the Euphrates and Tigris were choked with bodies of the massacred.

PEACE NEAR WILSON HEART

Main Effort to Keep Country Out of War, He Tells Scandinavians.

Washington, March 14.—President Wilson told a delegation of Scandinavians yesterday that nothing nearer his heart than keeping the United States out of war. He was assured by leaders of the delegation that his efforts in behalf of peace have been strongly aproved throughout the country. In reply the President said:

"This is a particularly courteous and gracious thing for you to do—to come to see me and bring me this cheering message of approval and support. I can assure you that nothing is nearer by heart than keeping this country out of war and doing anything that the United States can do to show its preference for peace and for justice, and for the things that make it impossible that nations should fight one another—real understandings and friendships and fair dealings

"You may rest assured that it cheers me very much that you should come and utter this word of encouragement."

The Scandinavians came here in the interest of a movement to erect a monument in honor of Capt. John Ericsson, the inventor of the monitor type of warship.

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CAPITATION TAX MUST BE PAID.

The General Assembly of Virginia adjourned last Saturday night, like its predecessors, may have done things it should not have done and left undone things it should have done, but there is one feature which it did not neglect in framing the tax bills—by an act all persons eligible to be voters will hereafter be made to pay their state capitation taxes. Thousands in the Old Dominion, and they are generally of the loud-mouthed class, repudiate all claims the state may have upon them. They refuse to pay the small capitation tax expected of them and, consequently, do not vote. Yet they have more criticism of officials and laws than any other class. They have the protection of the police, are accommodated at state institutions if necessary, get permits to poorhouses, send their children to public schools by paying fifty cents to the the city, and should they pay debt of nature while indigent such are buried at public expense.

According to the law now in force, state officers can garnishee the wages of such defiant residents of the state as far back as 1912.

About one half of the eligible voters of Alexandria fail to pay their poll taxes. This is an injustice to those who do, as certain amounts have to be raised every year, and the man who imagines he is acting independent by refusing to pay his share of the public expense virtually casts his burden upon others.

The late Georg W. Rock was a man who never minced words. In 1867 he was appointed Deputy Sheriff of the city and county of Alexandria, and served under the late Captain James M. Steuart. In those days the sheriff or his deputy collected the capitation tax. Rock approached a young and prominent man in a store in Alexandria one night, and calling him by name, said, "Mr. ——— "I have a tax bill against you." The young man replied:, "How about this? Do all men pay this tax?" Rock's rejoinder was characteristic of the man. "Yes," said he, "all good citizens do, emphasizing the adjective "good." The delinquent hesitated a few seconds and said: "Well, I suppose I must pay mine." There was no need of garnisheeing in this case.

UNCERTAINTY OF MARCH

Twenty eight years ago tonight—March 14, 1888—a veritable blizzard struck Alexandria, high winds and snow rendering it extremely difficult for pedestrians to forge their way through the streets. But few had the temerity to attend church, and only those compelled to go attempted to face the elements. Snow was flying through the air horizontally, and was suggestive of thousands of silver telegraph wires. The cold was intense, and those within doors kept close to stoves as the high winds hurled the snow by their windows. While Alexandrians was given a taste of a western blizzard, conditions hereabouts were by no means as severe as those farther north. All the telegraph poles from Washington to New York were prostrated, news from Europe was received for a short time via Chicago, as it was necessary to make a circuitous route after it crossed the Atlantic in order to reach Washington and Alexandria.

Roscoe Conkling, it will be remembered, was caught in the southern part of New York city late that evening Street cars had been brought to a standstill by the blizzard, and there was no subway then. Hack drivers were demanding fifty dollars from each passenger. Conkling refused to pay such an assessment, and attempted to walk to his home several miles north and he plodded along until he fell exhausted. He was picked up and taken to his home, and died a short time after from the exposure of that eventful evening.

On the night of the sixteenth of March way back in the forties a blizzard similar to that of 1888 struck this section. An Alexandrian who was in an open boat in Broad creek, opposite this city, froze to death that night, and Adam Horn, a Maryland farmer, murdered his wife while she was sitting by the fire and while the high winds were howling and the snow falling. This murder occupied as much attention at that time as the Cluverius and Beattie murders in our day.

TIGRIS AND EUPHRATES.

Attention has lately been called to the fact that some of the most sanguinary scenes in connection with the wholesale war now in progress in the old world are being enacted in places where the most interesting events of Bible history took place. A dispatch in another column tells of the river Tigris being clogged with human bodies victims of the wrath of Turks who during the present conflict, when the more powerful nations of the earth are in deadly combat, avail themselves of the opportunity to slay all who call upon the name of Christ.

The river Tigris appeared in the dawn of the world's history. This river and the Eurprates run parallel and mingle their waters in the Persian Gulf. Mesepotamia lies between the two streams.

Moses in the book of Genesis tells us there went out a river from the Garden of Eden which was divided into four heads. The fourth was the Euphrates, as he tells us, and probably the Tigris, now choked with swollen bodies, mostly of women and children, was also one of the heads of the stream of Paradise.

Nineveh, the great city to which Jonah was sent about 2700 years ago was situated upon the Tigris, as is also Bagdad, ancient capital of the Turkish empire. It was here Caliph Haroun Alraschid often mentioned in the Arabian Night's Entertainment, held his court, and at night went about the city in disguise with his Grand Vizier.

If the Tigris was one of the four heads of the river which went out from Eden, Eve must have seen her reflection while in a state of innocence in the stream now clogged with the bloated bodies of her daughters.

JOHN BULL AND UNCLE SAM.

Two of the most familiar figures in the news of the day are John Bull and Uncle Sam. From time to time the origin of these names as well as that of Brother Jonathan have been printed, but it is necessary to repeat the stories to new generations from time to time.

In the days of Dean Swift, and Alexander Pope lived a Scotch author and physician by the name of John Arbuthnot. In 1712 he published the History of John Bull, one of the most amusing of political satires. Swift and Pope signed the preface. The creation of the character has been attributed to Swift, but erroneously, John Bull as a nickname has been traced no further back than Arbuthnot.

The name Uncle Sam is applied to America as John Bull is applied to England. It arose at the time of the last war between England and America. A commissariat contractor named Elbert Anderson had a storeyard at Troy, N. Y., Samuel Wilson, was the government inspector in charge of the examination of supplies furnished by the contractor. Everybody called him Uncle Sam. The casks were marked "E. A.—U. S." Some of the employes at the yard joked Uncle Sam Wilson on his increasing possessions. "U. S" meant Uncle Sam, they said. They liked their joke, and passed it on down the river, where Wilson was known. Pretty soon the nickname became generally familiar as the nickname of America.

Brother Jonathan is a collective personification of the people of the United States. At the beginning of the Revolution, when Washington went to Massachusetts to organize his army, he found a great lack of ammunition and other necessary supplies. He had great faith in the judgment of Jonathan Trumbull, governor of Connecticut. "We must consult Brother Jonathan on the subject," he said. He did so with good results. The remark became a byword, though a respectful one, in the Continental Army. When difficulties arose men would say, "We must consult Brother Jonathan."

WHEN THE NAVIES CLASH.

(Baltimore American)

Germany is reported to be making supreme preparations for a fight upon the seas, with her navy pitted against that of England. Her reliance seems to be largely upon the super-submarines, the new type of U-boats that have been built in large numbers preparatory for the contest. When this strike for supremacy upon the seas shall take place, and how the titanic battle will be started does not appear.

When the time does come, the failure of the land program of the Germans will either thereby be declared, or else the success of the land program will have been brought to the point of climax. It is inconceivable however, that the Germans should stake their destinies upon a sea fight if they should win the great contest upon the west line. Yet the choice then would doubtless not be theirs, as Great Britain would have to retrieve the failure of the Allies upon land by its ships upon the sea or submit to invasion.

The Germans sought to avoid having the sea fight made crucial in the war by forcing Great Britain to fight upon land, and especially in attacking the empire at the vital point of Egypt. The Russian successes over the Turks have entirely dissipated these hopes and has thrown the Germans back upon the west line as their one hope. Hence they may call out their fleet in a deperate endeavor to annihilate the British sea power and thus to crush their enemies. The movements of events point to a titanic conflict of this nature, and Lord Derby is not confident in the ability of the fleet to prevent an invasion of England.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Texans wish Col. Roosevelt to lead a volunteer regiment of 600 cowboys across the border. A telegram was prepared yesterday by Bob Rinehart, after a meeting of 50 original Rough Riders and others in El Paso, to be sent to the colonel, requesting his leadership. Rinehart says he has the 600 recruits ready.

United States Consul William W. Canada has advised all Americans to leave the interior of Mexico without delay. The exodus already has begun. The governor of Vera Cruz has received information of the preparation at the border of the American expedition against Villa, and is displeased at the imminence of an invasion.

The glorious fighting of the French at Verdun and the victories of the Russians in the East have inspired an undeniable feeling throughout Great Britain that events now are foreshadowing a triumphant end of the war for the allies within a short period. At Lloyds there is some betting at odds of one to two that the war will be over in July orAugust, but the consensus of resopnsible opinion of the membership is that the end of the year will see the end of the war.

After a lull of several months, the Italians have suddenly become intensely active along the whole front. Formidable artillery actions are now occurring on the Carso plateau and the renewal of the Italian onslaught on Goritz is believed imminent. Advices from the front yesterday reported daily infantry actions around the Goritz bridgehead. Heavy fighting has occurred in the past eight days. The Italians are making daily infantry attacks against the entrenched camp of Podgora, before Goritz They have captured several trenches and are tightening the ring about the bridgehead position. The Austrians are hurrying up reinforcement.

Pope Benedict has refused the request of Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria-Hungary for the necessary dispensation of the marriage of the Austrian Archduchess, who is to wed Crown Prince Boris of Bulgaria. The pontiff insists that this dispensation can only be granted by the vatican if the Bulgarian throne heir again becomes a Roman Catholic. When King Ferdinand, as crown prince, married Marie Louise of Bourbon-Parma, in 1893, the family of the princess insisted on the condition that the issue of the marriage be brought up in the Roman faith. In 1896, however, the king's oldest son and heir, Prince Boris, then only two years old, was "converted" to the orthodox faith.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Senator Buchanan has entered the race for Lieutenant Governor.

The home of George Keeley colored near Fredericksburg, was destroyed by fire a few night ago with contents. In the house were four of his children and one sister, 12 years old, all of whom were burned to death Keeley was in Baltimore at the time, and his wife was absent on a visit to neighbors.

Four firemen had narrow escapes from death yesterday evening when a motor fire engine, answering a call and running at 30 miles an hour crashed into a telephone pole in Danville, shattering the pole and seriously damaging the machine. The accident was caused by skidding on a damp asphalt surface. The driver mistook directions given over the telephone as to a fire and was traveling far from the actual scen of a small blaze.

State Senator William H. Jeffreys, Jr., of the senatorial district, composed of Mecklenburg and Brunswick Counties, has been appointed by Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson a member of the committee to study and report to the next session of the General Assembly suitable legislation on the subject of rural credits. Speaker Houston will name two members of the House to serve with Senator Jeffreys in this commission.

Following the arrest of four men whom the police charge with being at the head of an organized gang which had robbed dozens of freight cars in the Chesapeake and Ohio yards at Lynchburg, during the last four months, J. C. Fulcher, a merchant of Riverville, is under arrest charged with buying the stolen goods. Seventy-five pairs of shoes alleged to have been stolen by the gang and sold to Fulcher were recovered by the police. It is claimed that upward of $3,000 worth of goods have been stolen from cars here in the last four months and more than a third of it has been recovered by the police.

R. E. White, an attache of the Lynchburg Fire Department is the owner of a United States three-ler piece which bears the date 1263. The coin, excepting the date, appears be one of the last issue of the old three-cent pieces, having the Roman numerals "III" on the reverse side. Mr. White had the coin a year or two before he noticed the unusual date, Inasmuch as the coin is dated more than 500 years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence and more than 200 years before the discovery of America by Columbus, White would be glad to have that date explained.

City Sergeant Evans of Petersburg learned Sunday that an effort at jail breaking was imminent. The jail was searched and several saws were discovered. As a precaution, Pugh, who was convicted of padding the Dupont payrolls, and Murphy, awaiting trial on a similar charge, were removed to Henrico Jail in Richmond, for safe keeping. Yesterday morning, however, four prisoners made their escape by sawing the iron bars of a window on the north side of the jail and letting themselves to the ground by a rope made of blankets. Three were recaptured. Edward Umstadt and L. Kutling, confined in the Prince George County Jail, escaped yesterday morning. Both attempted to break jail last Thursday night by sawing an opening in the walls.

Louise Thomas, 8 years old, a cripple, daughter of Henry Thomas, an employee at the Fenwick mines, who lives near Barbours Creek station, Craig county, was attacked some time on Friday, her body thrown into Mill Creek and a large bowlder placed over it to hide it. Investigation showed that the child had been assaulted and the body mutilated almost beyond recognition. Hobart Doss, 19 years old, son of Charles Doss proprietor of a boarding-house at the Fenwick mines, is being held by the authorities in connection with the crime. At an inquest a former roommate of Doss testified that he saw blood on the latter's clothing, and that Doss had a revolver with bloodstains on it.

Rev. Philip Dangerfield Stephenson, D. D., for the past few years a resident of Richmond and for many years an influential and leading minister of the Southern Presbyterian Church, died yesterday afternoon. Dr. Stephenson was born in St. Louis Mo., in September, 1845, and was in the seventy-first year of his age. He was at one time pastor at Abingdon, where he served the Sinking Springs Church in a most successful manner, and at Woodstock, where from 1894 until three or four years ago, he did an excellent work. His health failing he moved to Richmond, where he had made many friends, and where he had many friends, and where he exerted a large influence, preaching as supply, and doing mission work as his health allowed. Dr. Stephenson was an ardent Confederate, being one of the chaplains of R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, He entered the war quite young, and was a brave and loyal soldier, being a member of the Washington Light Artillery.

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STANDS BY ANCIENT ALLY

Portugal Explains Why She Has Entered the War

Washington, March 14—Portugal entered the war, the Portuguese legation announced yesterday, because Great Britain requested her to do so, in fulfilment of treaty obligations dating back to 1373. Portugal did not enter the war before, the Portuguese Minister announced, because Great Britain had not called on her to do so.

A statement outlining Portugal's position, issued by Viscount de Alte, the Portuguese Minister says:

"Portugal is drawn into the war as a result of her long standing alliance with England, an alliance that has withstood unbroken the strain of 500 years.

"Like Belgium, Portugal desires nothing that belongs to any other nation; she has nothing to gain and much to lose in the present conflict. But she is ready notwithstanding, to aid England to the full extent of her resource—whether great or small—because the treaties in force compel her to do so, and because her people firmly believe that international good faith, as evidenced by the fulfillment of treaty obligations, which is the principal provides the only basis on which intercourse between civilized nations can securely stand.

"Portugal is not prepared to subscribe to the doctrine engendered by militarism that good faith must be made subservient to expediency and that the interests of one nation may legitimately be fostered at the expense of the rights of others whenever backed by sufficient force. It is moreover, impossible to gainsay after considering impartially all the published evidence, that the British government labored devotedly, nay, even passionately to avert the war."

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1611 Duke Street, 8 room frame, bath, large side lot $16.00

209 Commerce Street 9 room frame, gas, $15.50

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By Samuel H Lunt, Auctioneer.

Auction sale of a desirable 7 room frame house and four lots of ground, at Cottage Park and Park Addition, Alexandria County, Virginia.

By virtue of and pursuant to the terms of a deed of trust dated January 14th, 1915, executed by Peter G. Mercer and wife, to Ross T. Elliott, as Trustee, and of record in Deed Book No. 145, at Page 503, of the Land Records of Alexandria county, Virginia, at the written request and direction of the party thereby secured, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness secured. by the said deed of trust, the undersigned trustee will offer for sale at public auction in front of the premises at 12 o'clock noon on THURSDAY, MARCH 16th, 1916, all those parcels of ground, with the improvements thereon, and the appurtenances thereto belonging. located in Park Addition and Cottage Park, Alexandria county, Virginia, and described as follows, to-wit:

Being lots numbered 14 with improvements and numbered 24 in Cottage Park subdivision as shown on plat thereof recorded in Liber No. 117, Page 207, of said County Land Records; also lots numbered 11 and 12 in Block 8, in Park Addition subdivision as shown on plat thereof recorded in Liber N, No.4, Page 231 of said records, and being the same propert which was conveyed to the said Peter G. Mercer by deed dated January 14th, 1915, and duly recorded in said Alexandria county land records.

Terms of sale: Cash conveyancing at cost of purchaser or purchasers.

ROSS T. ELLIOTT, Trustee.

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms and bath, for light house keeping, apply 300 North Alfred Street.

Oysters In All Styles At The Rammel Cafe.

PUBLIC SALE OF MULES UNDER DEED OF TRUST

Under and by virtue of two deeds of trust from J. W. Devers to C. E. Nicol, Trustee, the first deed of trust being dated the 1st. day of May 1915, and recorded in the Clerk's office of Alexandria County, Virginia, on May 7th, 1915, and the other deed of trust being dated the 9th day of July, 1915, and recorded July 14th 1915, the undersigned C. E. Nicol, Trustee, will offer for sale at public auction in front of Duncan's livery Stable, Corner of Cameron and Pitt Streets on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 1916, at 3:00 P. M., 10 mules. These mules are valuable and are in good working order, and can be used advantageously by anyone desiring mules to work on roads, farms, or any other kind of work.

Terms of Sale: CASH.

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C. E. NICOL, Trustee.

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R. D. WOOLF, Auctioneer

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF VALUABLE PERSONAL PROPERTY

In the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia.

In the matter of James W. Devers Bankrupt.

By virtue of an order entered in above cause by Walter U. Varney, referee in bankruptcy, on the 3rd day of March 1916, the undersigned Trustee in Bankruptcy will offer for sale at public auction on Tuesday the 14th day of March 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m. on the premises of said James W. Devers on the Washington-Alexandria Boulevard near overhead railroad bridge, the following valuable personal property to-wit:

17 Work horses
1 Express wagon.
13 dump wagons.
2 farm wagons.
1 surrey.
5 plows.
1 harrow.
21 sets of harness.
6 wheelbarrows.
1 concrete mixer.

All of this property is in good condition.

Terms of sale—CASH:

No article to be removed until paid for.

The undersigned Trustee will consider prior to the day of sale above named any offer for the LIVE STOCK listed above as a whole and for any portion of the other articles mentioned.

G. WASHINGTON LEWIS
Trustee in Bankruptcy for James W. Devers, bankrupt.

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P. M.—12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40, 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 40, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55.

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